

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 3, 2013

7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on April 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., opening with a public hearing on Ordinance 13-1. Council members present were: Jennifer Machande, Kristi Melvin, Wayne Daniels, Brandon Hansen and Tim Volquardsen. Mayor Mike Portz presided. Guests: Michelle Carr, IIW; Kevin Kienzle; Nicole Schuler, Allied Waste; Jesse Speer.

Mayor Portz opened the public hearing for the purpose of citizens comments on the proposed change Ordinance 13-1. There being no citizens present or any verbal or written opposition, a motion on the floor by Machande and seconded by Melvin to close the public hearing. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Regular session opened at 7:15 p.m.

Nicole Schuler of Allied Waste presented the City with a plaque to congratulate the City for recycling 32 tons.

Kevin Kienzle expressed his problems with the City's cleaning of streets during winter weather. He also questioned the utility charges in the Industrial Park. The Council will research the covenants and ordinances for commercial property.

Michelle Carr and Robert Blok of IIW Engineers presented the draft of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Planning Study. Four alternatives are being proposed. The construction cost estimates were included. The study will be finalized for the May meeting, and sent the DNR for approval by September. Mark Schnieder of ECIA presented the options for funding. An income summary will be needed by August, to see if the city qualifies for a grant, and lower interest loans.

Jesse Speers, owner of Eastern Iowa Metals and Sales, 107 Ferry Road, would like to have 2-5 bottle calves on his property for 3-4 weeks. The topic will be put on the May agenda.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the minutes. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Hansen to approve the agenda, with 2 additions. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

The police report was presented. There were 23 contacts during March. Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Hansen to approve the police report. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve the Finance Report. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to approve all bills. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mayor's report: 1) Jackson County Municipal League minutes. 2) Municipal Street Improvement has been sold to LL Pelling Co. They will honor all quotes for street repairs. 3) Waste Authority of Jackson County minutes. 4) Jackson County Tourism minutes and agenda. 7) Iowa One Call Annual Meeting and election. 5) Jackson County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2013.

An Economic Development meeting has been scheduled for April 24, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to hire Digital Design Outlet, Inc. to redesign the web page. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays. The City will need an ordinance to join The Jackson County Economic Board, with Jennifer Machande sitting on the board. This will be put on the agenda for May.

The City has received a request for a street light on the west end of Centennial Street. Sue will contact Alliant Energy, and have a resolution ready for the May meeting.

The alley behind Ferry Road needs to be bladed and have new gravel. Troy will do the necessary repairs.

Troy Alderman was present to discuss building and maintenance concerns. 1) Troy is to get bids from local businesses for a cordless drill. 2) The poles for the sign on the north end of Ferry Road will be replaced. 3) A hitch has been added to the lawnmower. 4) The yard waste pile will be moved to the south edge of the east fence. 5) Troy and Ron will attend the Wastewater Compliance Systems Training May 2 in West Branch. 6) The City will advertise for summer help, from May to September. 7) The overhead door at the shed needs repair.

Clerks Report: 1) Sue will attend a Data Tech meeting April 24 in Waverly. 2) The bank has waived the fee for the safety deposit box. 3) Clinton National Bank asked about the donation made several years ago for economic development. 4) Stalkers has not picked up their new liquor license. 5) Media Com will have a price increase on May 1. 6) The newsletter will be mailed with the May bills.

The council reviewed a possible change to the working on the ordinance on traffic codes. The discussion was tabled until the May meeting, when the current ordinance and recommended changes will be compared.

The police contract renewal was received. The discussion was tabled until the May meeting.

Threshers have requested to change the parade route on the south end from Centennial Street to Forrest Street. The walk/run will use the same route as last year.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Machande to pass the first reading of Ordinance 13-1 amending the setback requirement for side yards. Motion passed by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Melvin to approve a building permit for Chad Wainwright at 325 Lincoln Street. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to approve a building permit for Ron Tracy at 11 Hillcrest. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Next meeting May 1.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications & Subscription)	\$ 128.45	Data Tech (meeting)	\$ 95.00
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,740.23	Sue Papke (mileage)	\$ 24.30
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 336.84	MasterCard (cleaning supplies)	\$ 37.90
Test America (water testing)	\$ 404.98	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,283.35
John L. Franks (supplies)	\$ 63.58	City FICA	\$ 369.09
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 98.04	Jim Bruhn (labor)	\$ 120.00
Preston Hrdw (mitts, oil, rake)	\$ 31.97	Hawkins (chemicals)	\$ 311.90
Troy Alderman (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 418.30
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,621.31	Miles Post Office (stamps & box re	\$ 119.60
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 2,661.82	March salaries (actual)	\$ 4,824.75
AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 282.37	ECIA (ordinance)	\$ 112.50
Maquoketa Sentinel Press (publications)	\$ 17.50	YWCA (donation)	\$ 500.00
Jackson County Municipal League (dues)	\$ 25.00	River City Pipe Benders (spring)	\$ 92.73
Charlies Auto Service (battery)	\$ 65.90	Boss Office (supplies)	\$ 9.49
Treasurer, State of Iowa (sales tax)	\$ 1,253.00	IIW (professional service)	\$ 1,040.00
Determann Asphalt (cold mix)	\$ 98.18	Waste Authority (assessment)	\$ 1,668.75
MidWest Wheel (flashers)	\$ 88.34		
Total	\$ 21,955.17		

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	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	2,741.08	5,295.57
RUT	3,002.57	823.40
RUT 28E	3,797.97	1,175.56
Sewer	4,545.27	3,628.68
Water	4,922.90	3,836.66
Garbage	4,342.17	3,239.87
Cemetery ME	-0-	262.17
Ec. Development	2,492.23	293.50
Revolving Loan	-0-	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	-0-	-0-
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Totals	25,844.19	18,555.41